

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 959

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A RESOLUTION urging the United States Congress to  
reauthorize the Ryan White Comprehensive  
AIDS Resources Emergency Act.

WHEREAS, since its enacting in 1990, the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources  
Emergency (CARE) Act has provided the resources for the treatment of thousands of  
Americans living with HIV and AIDS; and

WHEREAS, in providing funds to hard-hit metropolitan areas for the provision of care for  
HIV-positive individuals, to states for use in education and prevention, and to family-centered  
programs which offer coordinated health care and support services to women, children, and  
families, the Ryan White CARE Act, serves as a powerful tool for use in the treatment,  
understanding, and prevention of HIV and AIDS; and

WHEREAS, the Ryan White CARE Act, reauthorized in 1996 and again in 2000,  
provides funds for comprehensive care and prevention and assures that those living with HIV  
and AIDS receive the care needed regardless of their resources; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of Congress are charged with the  
reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act and we wish to grasp this opportunity to express  
our support for the continuation of this necessary program; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED  
FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE  
CONCURRING, that we most respectfully urge the United States Congress to reauthorize the  
Ryan White CARE Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this General Assembly most fervently encourages the Tennessee Congressional delegation to utilize their respective powers and influence to the fullest extent possible to secure the reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker and the Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives, the President and the Secretary of the U.S. Senate, and to each member of the Tennessee Congressional Delegation.